

In the Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) A capsular bag intraocular implant comprising:

an optic portion ~~(10)~~ of substantially circular shape defining an edge ~~(16)~~, an anterior interface surface ~~(12)~~, and a posterior interface surface ~~(14)~~; and

a haptic portion comprising at least two arms ~~(22, 23, 60, 62, 40)~~ extending radially relative to the optic portion, ~~said implant being characterized in that each arm (22, 23, 60, 62, 40) comprises~~comprising:

- a main portion ~~(22a, 60a, 62a, 40a)~~;
- a connection end ~~(22b, 60b, 62b, 40b)~~ connected to the optic portion, said connection end having a thickness in the direction of the optical axis that is smaller than the thickness of the main portion so as to form a flexing line ~~(Z-Z')~~ that is substantially tangential to the optic portion; and
- a contact end ~~(22e)~~ presenting a contact edge ~~(26, 64, 41)~~ for contacting the inside wall of the capsular bag; ~~said contact edge being disposed on a circle (C1) that is concentric about the optic portion and of diameter greater than the diameter of the capsular bag, being not less than 10.5 mm;~~
- said main portion of each arm ~~(22a, 60a, 62a, 40a)~~ forming an angle in a forward direction relative to the optical plane (P-P') in such a manner that said flexing line is closer to the optical plane than ~~is to~~ is said contact edge;

whereby, when the implant is put into place in the capsular bag, the optic portion is displaced towards the posterior wall of the capsular bag by the arms turning about the flexing

lines defined by their connection ends, under the effect of the stress applied by the capsular bag to the contact ends of the arms.

2. (Currently Amended) An intraocular implant according to claim 1, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein said contact end (22c, 40c) of each arm (22, 23, 40) is bent rearwards relative to the main portion (22a, 40a) of the arm, forming a bend in such a manner that the contact edge (26, 64, 41) is closer to the optical plane of the optic portion than is the bend,

whereby, under the effect of the stress applied by the capsular bag, the connection ends come to bear against the anterior wall of the capsular bag.

3. (Currently Amended) An intraocular implant according to claim 2, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein the angle b between the main portion (22a, 40a) of an arm and its contact end (22c, 40c) lies in the range 90° to 150°.

4. (Currently Amended) An intraocular implant according to ~~any one of claims 1 to 3,~~ ~~characterized in that it further comprises~~ comprising at least two connection pieces (28, 48, 50, 52, 54) in the form of circular arcs concentric with the optic portion, each end (28a, 28b, 48a, 48b) of each connection piece being connected to an arm (22, 23, 40, 42, 44, 46), said connection pieces being disposed on the same circle.

5. (Currently Amended) An intraocular implant according to ~~claims 2 and 3,~~ ~~characterized in that~~ wherein the ends of the connection pieces (28, 48, 50, 52, 54) are connected to the arms at

the bends ~~(24, 56)~~ so that the contact ends ~~(22c, 40c)~~ of the arms extend beyond the circle on which said connection pieces are disposed.

6. (Currently Amended) An intraocular implant according to claim 4, ~~or claim 5, characterized in that~~ wherein said haptic portion comprises four arms ~~(40, 42, 44, 46)~~ offset at 90° intervals, and four connection pieces ~~(48, 50, 52, 54)~~.

7. (Currently Amended) An intraocular implant according to claim 4 ~~or claim 5, characterized in that~~ wherein said haptic portion comprises four arms ~~(22, 23)~~ forming two pairs of arms, the arms in any one pair being offset from each other by an angle of less than 90°, the haptic portion also having two connection pieces ~~(28)~~, each connection piece interconnecting the two arms of a corresponding pair.

8. (Currently Amended) An intraocular implant according to ~~any one of claims 1 to 7,~~ characterized ~~in that~~ wherein the length of the connection end ~~(22c, 40c)~~ is shorter than the width of the main portion ~~(22a, 40a)~~ of the arm.

9. (Currently Amended) An intraocular implant according to ~~any one of claims 1 to 8,~~ characterized ~~in that~~ wherein the contact edge ~~(26, 41, 64)~~ of each arm is in the form of an arc of a circle of diameter lying in the range 2.5 mm to 10.5 mm, ~~and preferably of 10 mm,~~ whereby said edge is in contact with the capsular bag over a large zone.

10. (Currently Amended) An intraocular implant according to ~~any one of claims 1 to 9,~~
~~characterized in that~~wherein the periphery of the posterior interface surface (14) forms a
"square" edge (40) with the edge of the optic portion.

11. (Currently Amended) An intraocular implant according to claim 10, ~~characterized in~~
~~that~~wherein the small thickness of the connection end (~~22b, 40b, 62b~~) creates a posterior "step"
that extends said posterior "square" edge (40).

12. (New) An intraocular implant according to claim 9, wherein the contact edge of each arm
is in the form of an arc of a circle of diameter of 10 mm.